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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2003, Applicants request the Examiner consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed June 23, 2003, the drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a); a requirement for a substitute specification, excluding the claims, was made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.125(a); the specification was objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.71; and claims 15-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

With reference to the Examiner's request for a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. §1.125(a), Applicants have submitted herewith a substitute specification incorporating the changes made in the Preliminary Amendment, dated January 17, 2002, and have included a